

IV. REMARKS

1. Claims 3-17 and 19-21 remain in the application. Claims 1, 2, and 18 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claim 22 is new. Claims 3-17 and 19-21 have been amended.

2. A copy of the Jensen reference is being located. The specification has been amended to correct paragraph [0002], equations 4-8, and paragraph [00056].

3. Claim 4 has been amended to depend from claim 9 which now includes all the limitations of claims 1 and 2, claims 6, 9, 11, and 16 have been amended to overcome the claim objections.

4. Claim 3 has been amended to overcome the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection.

5. New claim 22 has been added to recite the features previously recited in claim 3.

6. Applicants appreciate the indication of allowable subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claim 9 to include all the limitations of claims 1 and 2, amended claims 10, 12, 14, and 15 to include all the limitations of claim 1, and amended claims 19, 20, and 21 to include all the limitations of claim 18.

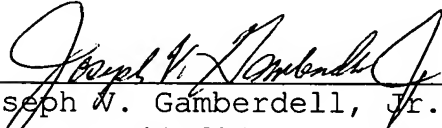
For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should

any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

A check in the amount of \$1,000.00 is enclosed for the additional claim fees.

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